

**Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116  
- Expedited Examining Procedure -  
Examining Group 2624**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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Sir:

**Response Under 37 CFR 1.116**

In response to the office action mailed August 7, 2007, please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as set forth below:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.